



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: A8520

William J. BAER, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/488,969

Group Art Unit: 2176

Confirmation No.: 5170

Examiner: Maikhanh NGUYEN

Filed: January 21, 2000

For: PREREQUISITE CHECKING IN A SYSTEM FOR CREATING COMPILATIONS OF  
CONTENT

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2004, please consider the remarks as  
submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

**REMARKS**

This Response, submitted in reply to the Office Action dated May 18, 2004, is believed to  
be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable  
reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

**I. Preliminary Matter**

As a preliminary matter, the Examiner states in numbered paragraph 3 of the Office  
Action that the "Article (IDS filed April 13, 2004) has not been considered since a publication  
date cannot be determined." It is believed that the Examiner refers to the "Microsoft PowerPoint